IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN RE: VITAMINS	ANTITRUST LITIG	ATION

Misc. No. 99-197 (TFH) MDL No. 1285

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LIVENGOOD FEEDS, INC. et al.,

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Plaintiffs,

NANCY MAYER WHITTINGTON, CLERK U.S. DISTRICT COURT

MERCK KgaA., et al.,

v.

Defendants.

ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF ESTIMATED TAXES BY ESCROW AGENT

Upon the request of Class Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel, payment of taxes by the Escrow Agent in the amount of \$96,064 for the tax year 2002 and \$23,225 for the first quarter of tax year 2003 is hereby APPROVED.

Dated: March, 2003

Hon. Thomas F. Hogan

Chief Judge

United States District Court for the District of Columbia